

REMARKS

The applicants have had an opportunity to carefully consider the Examiner's Office Action of June 21, 2005 and believe this amendment is fully responsive to every point raised by the Examiner. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested. Claims 16-20 remain in the application and claims 31-56 are added after this amendment is entered.

THE OFFICE ACTION

Claims 16-30 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph for failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Claims 21-30 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,549,106 to Gruenke et al. (Gruenke).

THE NON-ART REJECTION

Originally-Filed Claims 16-20 Find Support in the Specification.

Paragraph 21 of the originally-filed specification expressly states that block diagrams represent instructions and groups of instructions. Hence, the Fig. 1 and the corresponding description in the originally-filed specification provides support for claims 16-20.

Moreover, claims 16-20 were included in the originally-filed version of this patent application. Therefore, in addition to the above mentioned support, as amended, the specification now includes paragraphs [0020.1] and [0020.2] which re-state originally-filed claims 16-20 in paragraph form.

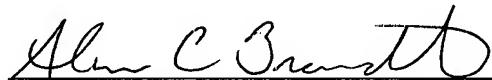
No new matter is added by this amendment. Based on the foregoing, claims 16-20 find support in the specification. Accordingly, the applicants respectfully submit that claims 16-20 are currently in condition for allowance and request that the Examiner withdraw the current rejection for these claims.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, it is respectfully submitted that all claims in the application (Claims 16-20 and 31-56) are now in condition for allowance and an indication to that effect is earnestly solicited. Furthermore, if the Examiner believes that additional discussions or information might advance the prosecution of this case, the Examiner should feel free to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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